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Sir:

In response to the communication from the Examiner dated January 30, 2004, a Final Rejection, it is respectfully requested that this Amendment After Final be entered and made of record pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. All compositions claims have been cancelled and it is believed that the following amendments and remarks place the application in condition for allowance or at least, place the application in a better form for appeal. No new

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matter is presented. As such, it is believed the amendment is proper under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.  
Applicants respectfully request reconsideration.